

LAMAR RAINER NOW
AT MAXWELL FIELD

Marwell Field, Ala.—Lamar S. Rainer, Jr., 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar S. Rainer, of 802 Davis Street, Elba, Ala., is now enrolled as an aviation cadet in the pre-flight school at Maxwell Field, Ala., an installation of the Army Air Forces Training Command. Here the cadets are receiving nine weeks of intensive military, physical and academic training. Aviation Cadet Rainer is a graduate of Elba High School, class of 1943; his father served in 1918.

REDMON SING

The J. G. Redmon annual Sacred singing will be held next Sunday, May 7, at Brooklyn Church. Everyone is cordially invited.

C. L. Holloway.

William Henry Farris, who has been in the Navy for more than three years, is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Farris, Elba Route 3.

LEADERSHIP SCHOOL
HELD IN ELBA TODAY

A leadership school for rural club leaders is to be held in the courthouse in Elba, Thursday afternoon, May 4, at 2 o'clock. Miss Elta Majors, child care specialist from Auburn, will be in charge. The subject of her discussion will be, "Teen Age Boys and Girls." Leaders from all women's clubs in the county are expected to attend.

PEARS ARE THICK

In describing the branch cut from Mr. W. M. Spurlin's famous Bell pear tree to the Clipper office, it was only 7 1/2 inches long and had 19 fine young pears on it.

PREACHING AT HAM'S

There will be preaching service at Ham's Schoolhouse Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock (war time). The public is cordially invited.

C. P. Roberts.

Clark And Wilson Win By Small Margins; Helms Defeats Heath; Pittman And Williams Easy Winners

Hill Sweeps State, Gets Fine Vote In Coffee; Andrews Has Decisive Lead Over Farmer For Congress

BRILLS FEVER CASES
SHOW MARKED DECLINE

Only two cases of typhus or Brill's fever, have been reported in Coffee County since primary Tuesday, a marked decline from the records of previous years.

County health officials and those cooperating with them credit this to the county-wide rat eradication campaign which has been in progress for several months. This is the only case on record, according to health officials, when an entire county in any state has waged a simultaneous effort in both towns and rural districts to rid themselves of rats, carriers of typhus.

Other health activities of recent interest included the chest clinics held in Enterprise and Elba on Thursday and Friday of last week with Mrs. Ruth Self of the Federal Health Service, Mrs. Josephine Moore and Miss Catherine Holland in charge. The county's outstanding record in freedom from tuberculosis, which prompted an investigation by Federal health authorities several years ago, still holds.

The first Crippled Children's Clinic ever to be held in the county is dated for November. Dr. G. W. Weidern, county health officer, is already planning for its success.

At 10 o'clock Wednesday morning The Clipper learned from the United Press at Montgomery that Senator Hill was way out in the lead with tabulations from 1740 boxes of the state's 2310 boxes giving him 94,899 against a total of 74,681 for Mr. Simpson. It was also learned that Congressman George Andrews was leading J. Hubert Farmer in the Third District by about 2,000 votes.

Elsewhere we are giving the unofficial tabulations as collected early Wednesday morning:

FOUR COFFEE GIRLS
AWARDED MEDALS

Outstanding records of wartime achievement in 4-H club agricultural and home economics projects brought special recognition in Tuesday's election. Unofficial returns indicate that I have been nominated for another term without a runoff. I shall endeavor to serve the district the very best I can under prevailing conditions. I seek the cooperation of all citizens to this end.

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4-H BOYS TO CARRY ON
THROUGHOUT SUMMER

Coffee County 4-H boys expect to carry on with their Food for Freedom program through the summer months when Victrolas are used as group leaders for food production.

Sixty-five of these Victrolas have attended organization meetings during the past two weeks where they received kits containing bulletins, demonstration material and other things necessary for this work. Every one of these boys will contact each member of his group once a month, hold a group meeting once a month and report progress being made to H. T. King, 4-H agent.

The neighborhoods organized and Victrolas served as leaders of food production among the boys of that neighborhood include: Pine Level, Harold Parker, Orell King, Lawrence Bryant, Ray Kilemore; New Hope, Herman Willoughby, Mayes Dyess, Jesse Eager, George Powell; Victoria, Emory Perkins, Kenneth Boutwell, Harold Wise, Shirley Thomas; Goodman, Leonard Bradley, Billy Roberts, Ross Barnes, Paul Thompson, Myrtice Lolley; Damascus, Dickie Rowe, Leona Davis, Billy English, Earl Hudson, Sam Dye; Camp Ground, Byron Batchelor, Bernon Bass; Bluff Springs, Sammie Bryan, Haley Bryant, Hayward Miles, Grover Kelley; Eanon, Billy Collier, Wyndell Gibson, Charles Kyser, Flowers Snellgrove, Allen Homsey; Fairview, Edward Wilkes; Jim Bowden, Grafton Weeks, Douglas Moore; Basin, Lamar Park, Collis Parker, Luther Parker, Roy Harris, Fletcher Davis; Mt. Pleasant, Tom Dennis, Charles Dalrymple, Jack Byrd, Herchel Murdock, Billy Jim Goodson, Mack Andrews; Zion Chapel, Densby Lowery, Paul Kendrick, Donald Jacobs, A. J. Carroll.

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COFFEE LAGS IN RED
CROSS WAR FUND

Although time for the campaign to close has already passed, West Coffee citizens have contributed less than 50 per cent of the quota for this area. Total collections last week were \$3,210.00 and the quota was set at \$5,500.00.

The Red Cross is now spending annually \$20.00 on every man in the armed services. The major portion of this money is for the benefit of those on foreign soil where medical treatment is furnished those wounded and sick, and some recreation and pleasures provided for those in actual combat.

These services are second only to food and ammunition. What will the boys of Coffee County think of these back home who fail in making possible these few necessities. Take a look at yourself and see if you have done your duty by contributing to the war fund. It would not be very much if every able-bodied adult in this territory assumed the responsibility of one service man. Won't you think of this matter seriously, and then come to Red Cross headquarters and make the contribution?

Elbians and other citizens of West Coffee must do their full share. The quota should have been raised long ago. Do your part NOW and then speak to your neighbors and friends about this important matter. We must not let them down.

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BIG POWER DEAL
EXTENDS REA TO
NINE COUNTIES

Electric power facilities to serve nine South Alabama counties are about to be acquired by the REA in the biggest electrical deal in this state in many years.

Andalusia, Elba and Opp are the principal towns that will acquire REA power through this purchase which now awaits only the formality of approval in Washington.

The counties involved are Covington, Barbour, Pike, Geneva, Coffee, Dale, Crenshaw, Conecuh and Monroe. The purchase price is two and a half millions.

Release of the announcement came Saturday afternoon from State Public Service Commissioner Gordon Persons following receipt of a telegram to Senator Lister Hill from Harry W. Slattery, administrator of Rural Electrification Administration. Mr. Slattery's telegram read:

"With reference to the acquisitions that are being made from Alabama Water Service Company in our previous talk, I want to send you this telegram to say that in view of my recent re-study of some of the reports, especially the engineering reports, when the papers are sent to me, from Washington, I will sign the acquisition. I give you authority to make public this telegram."

Under an order of the Securities and Exchange Commission, through its so-called "death sentence" holding company act, the Federal Water Service Company of New York was instructed to

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Spanish and Runner
Seed Peanuts

We have a supply of extra good Spanish and Runner peanuts that have been specially selected for planting seed. If you have not already done so, come in today and give us your order before the supply is exhausted.

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SUNDAY LESSON

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
 The Second Bible Lesson for the week
 Released by Western Newspaper Union

Lesson for May 7

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PAUL CROSSES INTO EUROPE
 LESSON TEXT: Acts 16:10-13; Philip. 2:24-28.
 SUNDAY TEXT: I press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus—Philippians 3:14.

Pressing "toward the mark" (Phil. 3:14) well describes the zeal and intense devotion with which Paul lived his life for Christ. He was wholehearted in giving himself to the preaching of the gospel. Our lesson tells of his joy in the service of the Lord, his guidance and blessing of the Holy Spirit.

It seems appropriate to consider Paul's journey for some time in reverse order, looking first at Paul's declaration in Philippians of his purpose to make him known.

The man with vision is eager to see the world. Paul was a man with a vision; a vision without a task makes him a visionary; a task and a vision makes him a missionary.

L. Paul's Passion to Know Christ
 There were many things in Paul's life which were not known until he met Christ, and then everything else met its importance and interest.

Now being spiritually minded and having found in Christ real satisfaction for his soul, the Christian counts as trifles the things in which the world takes such pride and satisfaction.

To "know Him" calls for a depth of experience, sacrifice and of joy which is not easy to describe in words. It is a faith which accepts suffering for Christ as a part of fellowship with Him—not only bearable but glorious because it is in the power of His resurrection.

That fellowship is one day to be complete and eternal, for there is to be for Paul the assured reward of a personal resurrection out from among the dead (cf. 11). The faith of a Christian looks beyond the grave.

All this has to do with the present, as well as the blessed future. The man who has this kind of spiritual experience shares the purpose of Paul expressed in verses 12-14. Here there is no resting back in self-achievement, no pride in one's past victories, no sense of having "arrived."

Now not only the necessity but the blessedness of going from victory to victory. Too many Christians of today are entirely satisfied with what they have attained (and it is usually all little things).

There is still to be gained, the prize of our "high calling in Christ Jesus." Let us, like Paul, be filled with holy dissatisfaction with ourselves until we reach that blessed goal.

The man who had such a vision was ready for God's call to carry the gospel into Europe.

H. Paul's Purpose to Make Christ Known (Acts 16:13-15).

The story of the conversion of Lydia has many elements of special interest. It presents the turning point in the progress of the gospel, which by the grace and leading of God brought it northward to Europe rather than southward into Africa. Many of us have heard because of the way Paul was led, and one wonders if Europe and America might not otherwise have been the "dark continents" rather than Africa. We are what we are by the grace of God.

Then we note that the first convert was a woman. She was not last woman to give an attentive ear and a believing heart to the gospel message. The church through all its history has been blessed by the readiness of women to bear and heed the Gospel.

We like to note that she set a pattern of hospitality and service which her sisters in the church have maintained (see v. 15). She "convinced" the visiting preacher. Red was the idea of waiting for that jigger tap me on the head before you drilled him?

A little tap now and then won't hurt you, Red. Red grinned. "May-be I'd take some of the swellin' out of your head."

Red rubbed his head and swore. He knew that Red had waited purposely in the hope that Clip Kane would tap him, as he called it, but in spite of everything he grinned. "The next time," he said, "we plan to frame a jigger, you're gonna use the goat. Why, that bloke actually told me I was dumb! Now if it had been you—"

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Bandit Bait

By VIC YARDMAN
 Associated Press

MIDWAY on the trail between Silver City and Mount Tom, Sheriff Mac Cooper fell in with a tall, fair-haired youth with steel blue eyes, wearing a pearl gray sombrero, blue and white checkered shirt and corduroy trousers tucked into high-heeled boots. A bone-handled chisel was strapped about the youth's waist and the butt of a Winchester rifle protruded from a saddle scabbard. He rode a coal black stallion.

"How far to Mount Tom?" the stranger asked.
 "Ten miles. Maybe more. Stranger hereabouts, are you?"
 "What?"

"Slim," Mac's eyes went out and across a flat open space, interspersed with sagebrush and cactus. Beyond, etched against a slope of sage grass, cattle grazed. To the left and more in their line of travel the slope became a rocky incline, through which a trail was notched. "Me," he went on, "I usta be a cattle man. Clean wiped out by the stranger asked."

"You might as well turn around, stranger. Ranchin' is a job?"

"How do folks get along?" the youth asked, looking at him curiously. "Ain't no other kind o' work to be had, is there? What curl your business bet, I'd sort of like to get a line on the kind of job to look for."

Mac hesitated the fraction of a second. "Met I work at the mine up at Big Mines?" "I get it. You come down once a week for the week."

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"But it's a problem how to dispose of you. I can't leave you here to follow me an' spread an alarm, and—danged if I can shoot such a dumb wit down in cold blood! But by jingo, I gotta do something with you. Hardly had the words left the stranger's lips before something smote Mac just back of his right ear. And in the instant before nothingness claimed him he heard, far away, the sharp report of a rifle, a shout, a curse—the curtain of blackness closed about him.

When he opened his eyes he was half sitting and half lying with his back to the canyon. Objects in front of him gradually lost their blurred aspect and took definite shape. And the first thing that registered itself clearly on his brain was the grinning countenance of Deputy Sheriff Red Galer.

Mac struggled to a more comfortable posture, looked beyond Red and saw the glowering face of Clip Kane, noted that the bandit was securely transfixed and that his shoulder was awathed in a bandage.

"Durn your miserable hide," said Mac, addressing Red, "what was the idea of waitin' for that jigger tap me on the head before you drilled him?"

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Beginning May 15, food production and conservation clinics will be held in home agents in 15 Alabama counties for town and city households.

If an egg cracks during the process of hard cooking, add vinegar to the water. This seals the egg and the cooking can be continued.

A PROCLAMATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF CONSERVATION

UNDER and by virtue of the authority of law vested in me as Director of Conservation and in pursuance of the provisions of Act No. 464 of the Legislature of Alabama (regular session 1943) approved July 10, 1943, providing that on and after the 12th day after the first publication of this proclamation, the same shall be in full force and effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ben C. Morgan, Director of Conservation of the State of Alabama, do hereby proclaim that ALL OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALA., LYING NORTH OF U. S. HIGHWAY NO. 84, ALSO THAT PORTION OF TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH LYING SOUTH OF SAID HIGHWAY IN SAID COFFEE COUNTY, shall be under organized forest fire protection by the Division of Forestry of the Alabama Department of Conservation. And I do hereby further direct that a copy of this proclamation shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper published in Coffee County, Alabama.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Department of Conservation to be hereunto affixed in the City of Montgomery, in the State of Alabama, on this 28th day of April, 1944.

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